

Appln. No. 10/734,757

Amdt. in Resp. to Off. Act. of June 18, 2004

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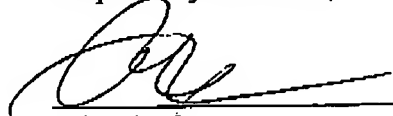
REMARKS

The Examiner has requested the election between two inventions: Group I (Claims 26-28) and Group II (Claims 47-52). Applicants request that such election requirement be withdrawn, as Applicants have amended Claims 47-52 to be ultimately dependent upon Claim 26. Accordingly, the Examiner will not suffer any additional burden in the examination as all claims are dependent upon the same independent claim.

The Examiner advised the Applicants that a reply to this election requirement must include an election of the invention to be examined. Applicants hereby select Group I.

All the claims are deemed patentable and the application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. Accordingly, allowance of Claims 26-28 and 47-52 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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